

(c) Yes. Hence Government have taken action to make incharge arrangements for all vacant posts to see that the Agriculturists are not deprived of the assistance and guidance of the officers.

(d) Yes. Action has already been initiated to fill up the above vacant posts.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ.ಎ. ಮೋಹಿದ್ದೀನ್ :—ಸ್ವಾಮಿ ನನ್ನ (ಈ) ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗೆ ಉತ್ತರವಾಗಿ ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ಖಾಲಿ ಹುದ್ದೆಗಳನ್ನು ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಪ್ರಾರಂಭಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೀರಿ ಈ ಸಂಬಂಧದಲ್ಲಿ ಏನೇನು ಕ್ರಮಗಳನ್ನು ತಾವು ಕೈಗೊಂಡಿದ್ದೀರಿ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ನಾನು ತಿಳಿಯ ಬಯಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.

† ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ.ಎಚ್. ರಂಗನಾಥ್ :—ಸ್ವಾಮಿ, ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಖಾಲಿ ಇರತಕ್ಕಂಥ ಜಾಗಗಳನ್ನು ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಎ. ಮೋಹಿದ್ದೀನ್ :—ನನ್ನ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಅದಲ್ಲ. ಕೃಷಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಖಾಲಿ ಇರತಕ್ಕಂಥ ಜಾಗಗಳನ್ನು ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ಪ್ರಾರಂಭಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ತಿಳಿಸಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಏನೇನು ಕ್ರಮಗಳನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದೀರಿ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ಹೇಳಬಹುದೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಹೆಚ್. ರಂಗನಾಥ್ :—ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಇರುವ ಖಾಲಿ ಜಾಗಗಳನ್ನು ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಲಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೇನೆ.

### Export of Forest Eucalyptus Fuel outside Kolar District

679 SRI M. ABDUL LATHEEF (Kolar)—Will the Minister for Food and Forests be pleased to state :—

(a) whether there is any proposal before the Government to supply Eucalyptus fuel to the Mysore Paper Mills Ltd., Bhadravathi from Kolar Forest Area ;

(b) whether the Government intend not to export Forest Eucalyptus fuel outside Kolar District, in view of the high cost of fuel for local consumption ?

SRI G. RAME GOWDA (Minister for Food and Forests)—

(a) In the G. O. No. FFD 211 FDP 77, dated 19<sup>th</sup> August 1977, the Mysore Paper Mills Ltd., Bhadravathi has been allotted 88,000 tonnes of Eucalyptus per annum. For extraction of the allotted quantity of eucalyptus wood by the Mysore Paper Mills Ltd, the plantations raised from 1969 onwards in Bangalore Circle and Shimoga Circle (with exception of Joldhal Block) have been allotted. Kolar Forest Division comes under the jurisdiction of Bangalore Circle.

(b) In view of reply to clause (a) this question does not arise.

SRI ABDUL LATHEEF :—May I know the price ?

† SRI G. RAME GOWDA :—Rs. 65- per ton

SRI ABDUL LATEEF :—Is it a fact that plantations prior to 1969 have been gifted away at 25 rupees per ton to Harihar Polyfibres ?

SRI G. RAME GOWDA :—The question of Polyfibres is different. This is in respect of Paper Mills that too after 1977. Certain factories have agreements for some period at different rates.

SRI ABDUL LATHEEF :—What is the cost for raising one ton of this fuel ?

SRI G. RAME GOWDA :—We have not worked out the exact cost in respect of eucalyptus wood in the forest because it depends upon the spacing; in some areas plants are at a space of 30' and in some others 60'. As the spacing is different we cannot exactly work out the cost. We shall find out the average rate and give.

#### **Reservation of Posts for S.Cs. and .STs. in Karnataka Electricity Board.**

586 SRI NAGAPPA (Pavagada)—Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :—

(a) hitherto has there been any S.C. or S.T. person as member of the K.E.B. ;

(b) has the Government provided 18 percent of posts to the S.Cs. and S.Ts. ? If so, furnish figures ?

SRI K. H. SRINIVAS (Minister of State for Information and youth Services) [on behalf of Sri D. DEVARAJ URS (Chief Minister)]—

(a) Yes ; Sri T. Channiah of the Scheduled Caste was the Chairman of Karnataka Electricity Board for five years from 1st April 1960.

(b) So far as employees are concerned, reservations are made in accordance with the policies of Government from time to time.

Details of the employees working in the Karnataka Electricity Board as on 1st June 1978 in the regular establishment and workcharged establishment/temporary time rolls are as under :—